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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: CDES, CASC, AR, PFOR (OLIVA, CHRIS ANNA OLSON)

SUBJECT: W/W: U.S. CITIZEN KILLED; CHRIS ANNA OLSON OLIVA

REFS: (A) B.A. 6889, (B) B.A. 6913, (C) STATE 259875

1. IN VIEW OF CONFLICTING INFORMATION CONCERNING DEATH OF MRS. OLSON OLIVA, DEPARTMENT REQUESTS THAT EMBASSY ASK FOR OFFICIAL EXPLANATION OF THE CIRCUMSTANCES SURROUNDING HER DEATH.

2. IF ASKED, DEPARTMENT WILL ADVISE PRESS THAT EMBASSY IS REQUESTING AN OFFICIAL EXPLANATION FROM GOA.

3. AS EMBASSY IS PROBABLY AWARE, THERE HAVE BEEN THREE REPORTS CONCERNING DEATH. REF (A) REPORTED SHE WAS KILLED IN A SKIRMISH OUTSIDE FIAT FACTORY. TODAY'S WASHINGTON POST CARRIES AP STORY THAT ARGENTINE ARMY SAID SHE DIED

AFTER SHE THREW A HAND GRENADE AT SECURITY FORCES SURROUNDING A HOUSE WHERE SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY HAD BEEN REPORTED. FINALLY, FAMILY TOLD DEPTOFF THAT IT UNDERSTOOD SHE WAS KILLED WHILE TRYING TO FLEE. KISSINGER

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